

,Promoting Sustainable Forest Management in the Kavango-Zambezi- Region in Namibia‘ (NSFM) Project – Looking Back at 3 Years of Implementation

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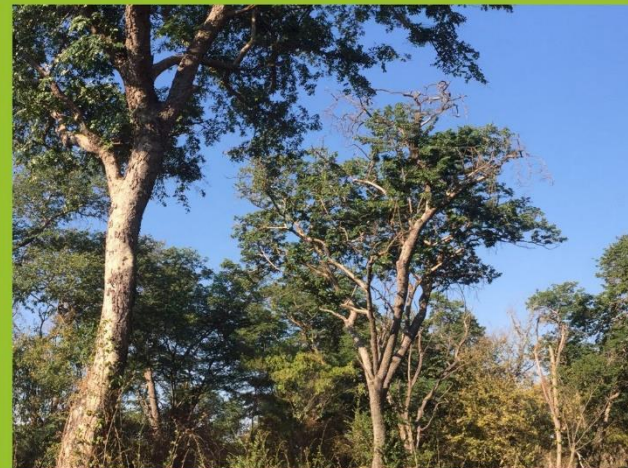
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Project overview

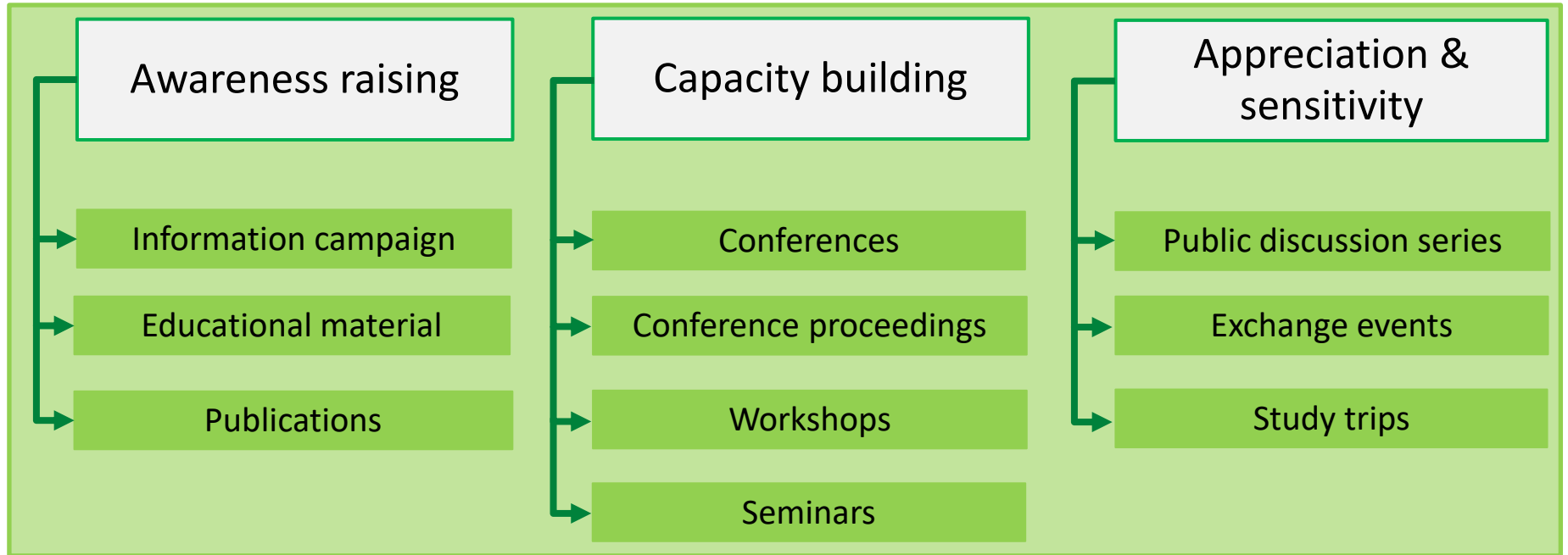
- Implementation period: October 2020 – December 2023
- Implementing partners: HSF & DRFN
- Funding: European Union
- Aim: Support of an active, multi-stakeholder dialogue on SFM as a contribution to an improved implementation of SFM in the KAZA-Region of Namibia
- Main target groups:
 - Community forest members
 - Decision-makers
 - Civil society
 - Youth representatives

Project overview cont.

- Objectives of the NSFAM project:

- I. Expanding public understanding of the concept and benefits of SFM
- II. Strengthening knowledge, skills and capacities to implement SFM
- III. Improving sensitivity and appreciation of diverging views and perspectives on SFM

Project components



Project components cont.



TH!NK Namibia Sustainable Forest Management information campaign:

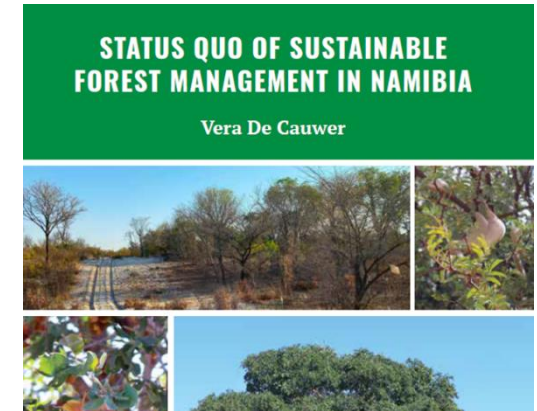
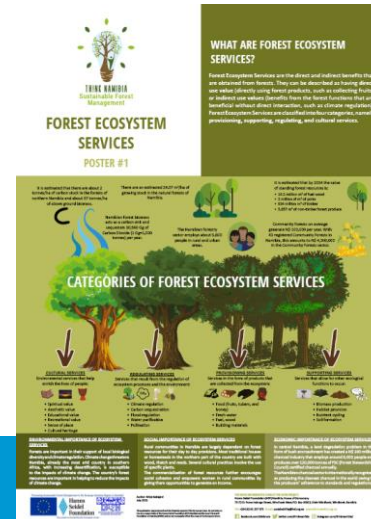
- Initially launched in 2015; continued in its 4th phase
- Aim: Create a supportive platform to showcase research and knowledge products related to SFM, as well as to report on activities of the NSFM-Project



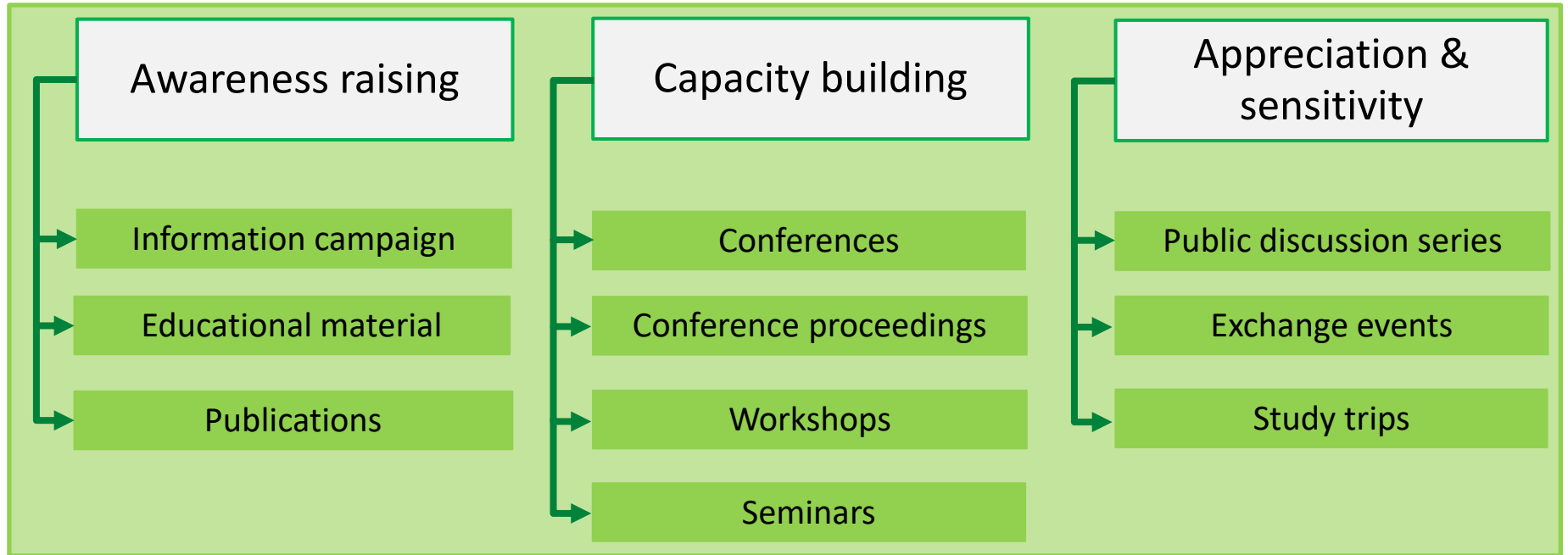
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Educational material & publications:

- Series of fact sheets & poster in different languages
- Educational short videos
- Podcasts
- Resource book ,Status quo of sustainable forest management in Namibia‘



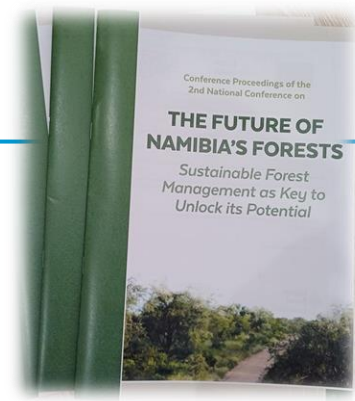
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Conferences & conference proceedings:

- Theme: ‘The future of Namibia’s forests – SFM as key to unlock its potential’
- National & international experts
- Conference proceedings compiling presentations



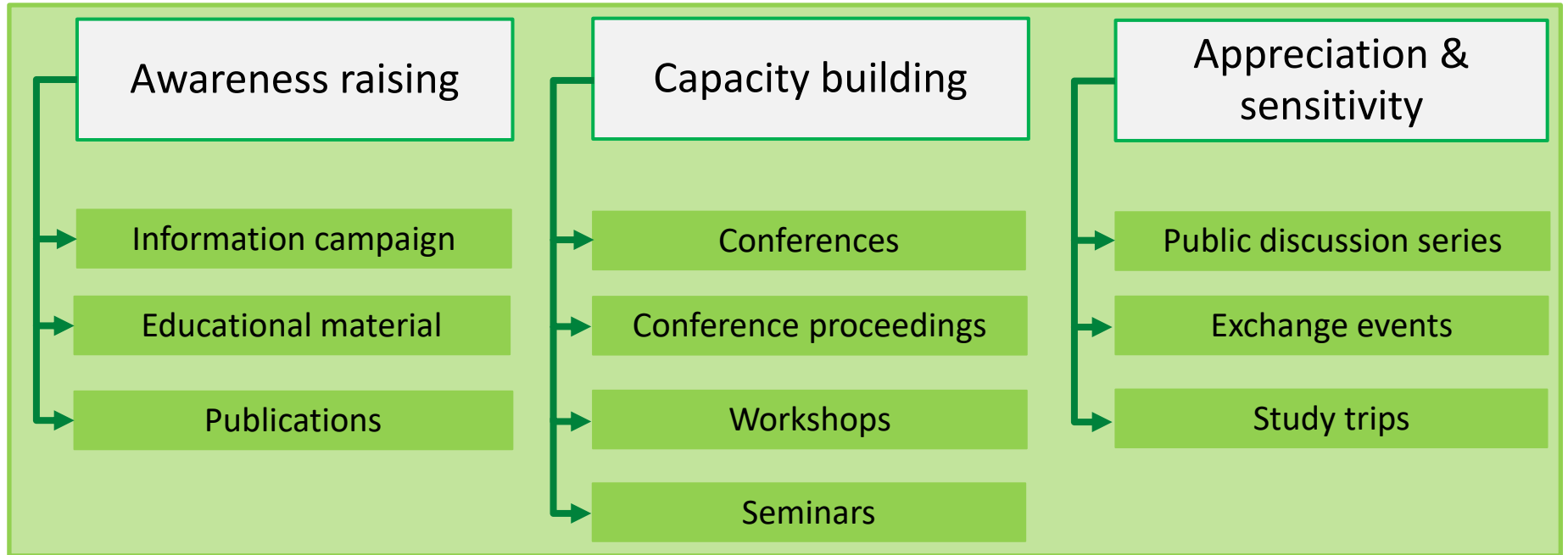
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Workshops & seminars:

- Workshops targeting community forest members, traditional authorities, and multipliers
- Parliamentary-public-engagements targeting political decision-makers
- Seminar school curricular



Project components



Project components cont.

Public discussions:

- Various discussion events in Windhoek, Rundu, Nkurenkuru, and Katima Mulilo
- Formats: Panel discussions, movie presentations, dialogues



Project components cont.

Exchange events:

- Round table discussions targeted at community forest members and traditional authority representatives or media representatives
- Closed-door events
- Key stakeholder consultations



Project components cont.

Study trips:

- Pre-visitation trip, introducing the project
- Excursions, peer-to-peer visits of community forest members



Review of objectives

I. Expanding public understanding of the concept and benefits of SFM

=> AWARENESS RAISING

II. Strengthening knowledge, skills and capacities to implement SFM

=> CAPACITY BUILDING

III. Improving sensitivity and appreciation of diverging views and perspectives on SFM

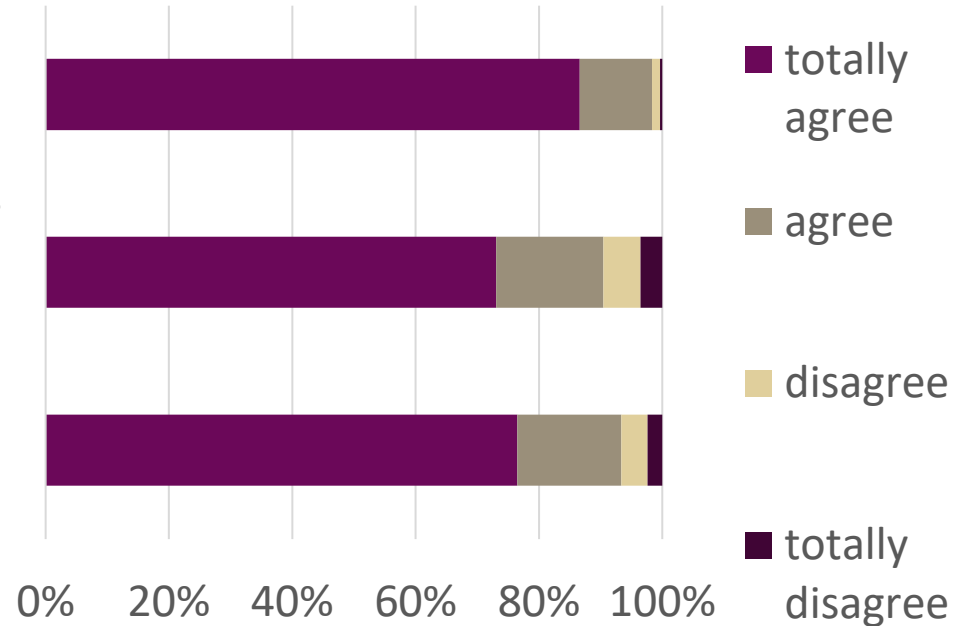
=> APPRECIATION & SENSITIVITY

Review of objectives cont.

'By attending this workshop, I have improved my skills and knowledge in the field of SFM.'

'Since attending this event, I have a better understanding of differing and diverging views on SFM.'

'I have gained new insights on SFM.'



Review of objectives cont.

- The NSFAM project succeeded to raise awareness on SFM.
- Skills and knowledge to implement SFM have been made available to target groups through capacity building activities.
- Especially round table discussions or dialogue events in general contributed to an exchange of perspectives and, thus, to an improved appreciation for other opinions.
- An active multi stakeholder dialogue has been facilitated.

Outlook & objectives and outputs of conference

What needs to be done to develop an active forest management?

- National forest inventory
- Review of forestry act
- Financing

Thank you for your attention!

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